

THE WASHINGTON MASSAGE NEWS

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Due to the failure of our members to contribute the promised articles for this August issue, you are again forced to read from the pen of your editor. I feel that it is duty enough for one busy man to put together and print the material furnished by other members, without having to write it too.

It will not be necessary for you to wait until your promised monthly item, to send in your material, send it in anytime, if we need it, we will use it, and you can write another when your turn does come around.

Ruth Williams stated in her report of the State meeting that all copies must be in by the tenth of the month, preceding the month your item is due. I must compliment her on her promptness, she had her copy in near the first of the month for last issue.

Editor

EDITORIAL

It will be the policy of this editor of the Washington Massage News to print any and all articles written by the members of this association without any attempt at censorship or correction.

I feel that each member, who contributes material for this paper, is entitled to have his or her say, in the way that expresses them the best.

There have been comments in the past by some, who have said, "What's the use of writing articles for the paper, they are either never printed or are changed so they have lost their punch."

You may be assured that whatever copy is received, will be printed in the writers own words and bearing his or her signature.

Editor

This month's Chuckle Doctoring -

Father: "Yes, you may ask a question, but make it short."

Small son: "Well, when a doctor gets sick and another doctor doctors him, does the doctor doing the doctoring have to doctor the doctor the way the doctor wants to be doctored, or does the doctor doing the doctoring of the doctor, doctor in his own way?"

Flossom G. Guntley, R.M. wishes to have correction of statement in a past issue, that it is the LUND system of Scientific Swedish Massage, which she practices, and not the LEVY system, as stated.

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At our state meeting in Moses Lake, in June, of this year, a question came up in regard to advertising our Massage Therapy Association, we put ourselves in the classified section of the telephone directory.

Some time ago while employed at the Washington Athletic Club, I was looking through the telephone directory for a comparison of members with non-members. I came upon this information, which prompted me to write the following article. It had been held in reserve for a time when we were short of material, this is one of those times.

Rambling Thought

Does the title American Association of Massuers and Masseuses mean anything to the membership?

In the classified section of the Seattle telephone directory under Massage or Physical therapy, I found only two members of the A.A.M.M. who advertise the title in full, Member American Association of Massuers and Masseuses, the second member uses the abbreviated form, member A.A.M.M. a third member under the heading of Physical Therapy, advertise a member of the American Massage registry, but doesn't use it in his classified advertisement under massage.

These members should be complimented for trying to put our association before the public.

I feel that the title used in full would be the better way to inform the public that we have an association, also our title of registered massuer or masseuse, should be used in small print under our name following the initials R.M. after our name, then Member American Association of Massage Therapy. In this way the public would become familiar with our association and our title and know what it stands for.

This would apply to all our members, wherever they are throughout the state.

Editor.

Long Beach, here we come.

All eyes are, or should be upon Long Beach, California, where the National Convention of Massage Therapists will be held Aug. 12 - 16. Every member in the western United States should plan on attending. It is not often that we are able to get a National Convention so close to home, so we should make the most of that opportunity. You owe it to yourself to get out and meet the fellow members, get new ideas, and see what is trying to be done for us.

Be seeing you in Long Beach.